



Village of Blacks Harbour Council
 Council Chambers – 65 Wallace Cove Road

Present: Mayor – John Craig, Deputy Mayor – Adam Hatt, Councillors – Ashley Ritchie, Amber Libby, Gerald Welles and Jordan Thompson
 Staff – Assistant Clerk/Treasurer – Stacey Frost, Fire Chief – Dale Shaw

Guests: CHCO – Andrew Sutton, Dale Welles

Absent:

1. Call to order	6:30pm
2. Recording of Attendance	
3. Business Arising – nil	
4. Approval of Agenda <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Thompson SECONDED BY: Councillor Ritchie</p> <p>Be it resolved; That the agenda for the December 15, 2021 Regular Council Meeting be accepted as presented, with the exception of item 9.1 – ECW Presentation, to allow them to present via Zoom, without having to wait and item 11.1 – Personnel Committee – Acceptance of Resignation of CAO Deborah Johnson</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	12152021-01
9. <u>Reading of Petitions/Presentations/Proclamations –</u> 9.1 ECW Presentation Rose Umlas, from Eastern Charlotte Waterways, presented virtually via Zoom. She discussed their initiative, “Project Village – Car Share”. This is a car share model, a transportation model where an individual books a ride time for a vehicle and drives it. The core benefits of a car sharing service are shared car usage time and cost distribution among community members. Rose discussed the cost distribution concepts, the fare strategy, and the membership fees and process.	
5. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest on Agenda Items –nil	

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<p>6. <u>Approval of Council Minutes</u></p> <p>6.1 <u>Regular Council Meeting – November 17, 2021</u></p> <p>MOVED BY: Councillor Ritchie SECONDED BY: Councillor Libby</p> <p>Be it resolved; That the minutes from the Regular Meeting of November 17, 2021 as pre-circulated be approved and filed.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	12152021-02
<p>6.2 <u>Special Meeting – November 24, 2021</u></p> <p>MOVED BY: Councillor Libby SECONDED BY: Councillor Ritchie</p> <p>Be it resolved; That the minutes from the Special Meeting of November 24, 2021 as pre-circulated be approved and filed.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	12152021-03
<p>6.3 <u>Special Meeting – November 29, 2021</u></p> <p>MOVED BY: Councillor Thompson SECONDED BY: Councillor Ritchie</p> <p>Be it resolved; That the minutes from the Special Meeting of November 29, 2021 as pre-circulated be approved and filed.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	12152021-04
<p>7. <u>Staff Reports</u></p> <p>7.1 <u>Fire Department Report – November 2021</u></p> <p>MOVED BY: Councillor Ritchie SECONDED BY: Councillor Libby</p> <p>Be it resolved; That the Fire Department Reports for the month of November 2021 be approved and filed.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	12152021-05

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<p><u>7.2 Building Inspector’s Report –</u> a) November 2021</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Ritchie SECONDED BY: Councillor Thompson</p> <p>Be it resolved: That the Building Inspector’s report for the month of November 2021 be approved and filed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	<p>12152021-06</p>
<p><u>7.3 Public Works Report – November 2021</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Thompson SECONDED BY: Councillor Libby</p> <p>Be it resolved: That the Public Works’ Report for the month of November 2021 be approved and filed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	<p>12152021-07</p>
<p><u>7.4 CAO Report – nil</u></p>	
<p>8. <u>Accounts</u> <u>8.1 Approval of Budget Figures</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Libby SECONDED BY: Councillor Thompson</p> <p>Be it resolved: That Council approve the Budget Figures for the period ending November 30, 2021.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	<p>12152021-08</p>
<p><u>8.2 Approval of Accounts Payable</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Ritchie SECONDED BY: Councillor Thompson</p> <p>Be it resolved: Council approve the total of Accounts Payable paid and or payable for the Month of November 2021 in the amount of \$157,778.36 and Payables to date for the month of December 2021 in the amount of \$50,740.25.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	<p>12152021-09</p>
<p>9 – Moved to beginning of the meeting</p>	

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<p>10. <u>Communications – Correspondence, Community Contacts</u> 10.1 <u>Correspondence for Action - nil</u></p>	
<p>10.2 <u>Correspondence for Information –</u> a) Increase to Minimum Wage</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Thompson SECONDED BY: Councillor Ritchie</p> <p>Be it resolved; That the Correspondence for information be accepted and filed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	<p>12152021-10</p>
<p>11. <u>Approval of Committee Minutes and Recommendations –</u> 11.1 <u>Acceptance of Resignation of CAO Deborah Johnson</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Ritchie SECONDED BY: Councillor Thompson</p> <p>Be it resolved; That Council accept the resignation of CAO Deborah Johnson</p> <p>In Favour – Councillors Thompson, Libby, Ritchie and Welles Contrary-Minded – Deputy Mayor Hatt</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	<p>12152021-11</p>
<p>12. <u>Business Arising from the Minutes –nil</u></p>	
<p>13. <u>Unfinished Business</u> 13.1 <u>Grants/Donations 2022</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">MOVED BY: Councillor Libby SECONDED BY: Councillor Thompson</p> <p>Be it Resolved; That the remaining 2022 Municipal Grants and Contributions be awarded as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Blacks Harbour School Food Insecurity Programming - \$800 (2) St. George & Area Food Bank - \$400 (3) Eastern Charlotte Lions Club - \$500 <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	<p>12152021-12</p>

14. New Business, Motions and Notices of Motion

14.1 Opening of the Curling Ice at Patrick Connors Recreational Complex

MOVED BY: Councillor Thompson
 SECONDED BY: Councillor Libby

Be it resolved;

That the Council ratify the decision to open the Curling Surface at the Patrick Connors Recreational Complex in January 2022.

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14.2 Year End Transfers 2021 - nil

15. Consideration of By-Laws - nil

16. Councillor's Concerns

Mayor Craig - Our condolences reach out to the family and friends of Thelma Marie Dugas, wife of the late Lional Dugas, formerly of Blacks Harbour. She was the mother to nine children, Ab of Hampton, NB, Marilyn of Blacks Harbour, Gerald of Pennfield, Roger of St. Stephen, David of Utopia, Ann of Blacks Harbour, Charles of Cambridge Narrows, NB, and Darren of Moncton. She was predeceased by her husband Lionel and son Leo. Again, our thoughts are with the entire Dugas Family.

On behalf of Council, tonight, I wish to express our heartfelt sympathies to the Doiron family on the passing of Ann Doiron on December 7th at her home. She is survived by her husband Yvon, son Edmond Doiron, and daughters Noreen, Diane, and Betty Ann.

Tonight I wish to send our sympathies to the family of Reverend Perley Nelson Tidd who passed away this past month. Perley graduated from the Blacks Harbour High School in 1951 and went on to the London Bible Institute and Theological Seminary in London, Ontario for the next four years. Reverend Tidd was the Baptist Minister here in Blacks Harbour for many years and served a total 66 years in the Gospel Ministry, the last 11 years in Nova Scotia.

Tonight I want to wish everyone in Blacks Harbour, and the Council a very Merry Christmas, coming up. I hope everyone has a safe Christmas. I know

with things going on in the world it's not easy, but get out to visit your family, go and make sure you have time to do all that you want for Christmas. Please go and visit your family, if you have any problems our Village will be available at all times. We are not going to be totally closed down. If anyone at any time has any problems we have an Urgent Line, please contact us.

Councillor Thompson - I would like to extend my wishes to everybody to have a good, safe holiday and a Happy New Year.

Councillor Libby – Just a quick Chase the Ace update, this Thursdays draw is over \$72,000. So far the Chase the Ace Arena Fund is sitting at \$5790. Same thing, I just want to say Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. I hope everyone is safe and be well.

Deputy Mayor Hatt - I have a question, is the Village Office going to be open between Christmas and New Years? There was not a motion for that tonight, is why I was asking.

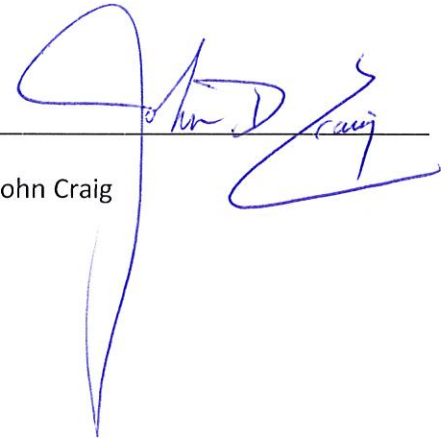
(Mayor Craig asked council if they would like to make a motion now, Deputy Mayor Hatt clarified that a motion cannot be added now as it was not on the agenda. Mayor Craig asked Assistant Clerk/Treasurer Stacey Frost if the office was to be closed, Stacey said that the Office is normally closed during this time. Councillor Hatt said that there has always been a motion for this. There was some discussion around the topic, and Council agreed that the Office would be closed, with communication to be put out to the public.)

Councillor Welles – Merry Christmas and the Season's Best


Councillor Ritchie - I just want to say thank you to everyone that participated in the Reverse Parade. It was really exciting this year, we had a lot of participants. It was really great to involve the local restaurant, The Kitchen. I just want to say good job to them for fundraising for the Blacks Harbour School. They raised just over, I believe, \$300. That was great to see that turn around. That was in addition to the Reverse Parade this year that we didn't have last year. I just want to say Congrats to all of the winners as well. That was really great. I will just say, as everyone else did, Happy Holidays.

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17. <u>Question Period</u> - nil	
18. <u>Next Meeting/s</u> : Regular Meeting - January 19, 2022 @ 6:30pm	
19. <u>Adjournment</u> MOVED BY: Councillor Libby SECONDED BY: Councillor Ritchie Be it resolved: That the meeting be adjourned at 7:23pm. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	12152021-14



Mayor John Craig



Assistant Clerk/Treasurer Stacey Frost